The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, August 18, 1729.

From the London Gazette, Aug. 5.

Whitehall, Aug. 5.

ON the 5th Inst. arrived here Mr. Sharpe, one of His Majesty's Messengers, from Madrid, but last from Paris, with Letters from Mr. Keene, His Majesty's Minister at the Court of Spain, dated at Port St. Mary's the 2d of August, N. S. inclosing the Draught of a Treaty for adjusting Matters between the Allies of Hanover and the Crown of Spain, as it had been concerted between the Ministers of the Allies and those of that Crown; which is sent to the Courts of England and France and to the States General, for their Approbation. In the mean time, the King of Spain's Orders were issued on the 28th of July, N. S. for the delivering out the Effects brought from the West Indies on board the Galleons to their respective Proprietors: And the Cedulas desir'd by Mr. Keene in behalf of the S. S. Company, were to be given in eight Days from the Date of Mr. Keene's Letter, which Time it would require to prepare and pass them through the several Offices.

From a Weekly Journal, Aug. 9.

They write from Rome, That several Foreign Ministers, many Cardinals, and the Princes and Nobility of Rome, of both Sexes, went to the Palace of the Chevalier de St. George on the 23d of July, to compliment the Princess Sobieski, being her Birthday. They were all (the Cardinals excepted) in rich Habits, and made a most splendid Appearance.

We are informed, 'tis declared by a certain Gentleman at home, who like the *blind Prophet* can see all things, That it is certainly a Peace; *and he is a great Politician.* We are told that the said Gentleman maintains, that Spain will be divided from its Alliance with the Emperor, for which good Services Spain will recede from its Demand of the Restitution of Gibraltar and Portmahon; *and this Gentleman is a great Politician.* Lastly, That the Peace is certain, because that we are to enter into a War with the Emperor in Italy, in alliance with Spain, in case his Imperial Majesty should oppose the Succession of the Infant Don Carlos; and all the World knows *this Gentleman is a most profound Politician.*

They tell us that the famous Courier Bannieres, who in his last Expedition brought nothing but Monkeys and Parrots, will shortly be dispatched a-[illegible] the Court of Spain; when 'tis hop'd he will think a little of the Peace.

London, Aug. 9. We are told that some of the Workmen employed in the Rope Manufactures in his Majesty's Yards have made a Representation of some Hardships laid upon them; which 'tis hop'd will be redress'd, in regard to the Excellence of the Manufacture they are employed in, than which nothing can be of greater Service to the Publick, since one Yard of Rope well applied may at certain times tend to quiet the Minds of a whole Nation.

We are advised from Holland, that a new Print has been made there, in which a Person in an Ecclesiastical Habit is the principal Figure; there is a Fleet of Ships seen at Anchor. It will not be proper to explain the whole; but a certain Nation that shall be nameless, is of late become the Subject of *Dutch Wit.*

From the Weekly Medley, Aug. 9.

We are told that the Court of Spain, finding it for their Interest to live in Friendship with the Allies of Hanover, will agree to the absolute giving up their Pretensions to Gibraltar and Portmahon, the S. S. Ship Prince Frederick, the restoring the Depredations committed by his Subjects on those of Great Britain, *&c. &c. &c.* Wherever the Spanish Nation may undertake to distress us, should we chance to disagree, we are morally sure they will hardly venture this Year to block up or insult Portsmouth, which is powerfully guarded against such Attempts by our jovial Sailors. We are also told, that our Neighbours on the Coast of French Flanders, are repairing with all possible Diligence the *inconsiderable* Port of Dunkirk, with no other Views than to distress the Ostend East India Company were it to be continued, in pure Friendship for us.

and to protect our Trade in the Chanel; wherefore they hop'd we would not oppose a Deſign whoſe only End was the *Securing* our Ships and Goods.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Aug. 12.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from France.

OF 21 Greenland Ships which went out this Seaſon, 17 are returned, and have caught 27 Whales, the Value whereof is computed at upwards 30,000 l. What the other 4 Ships have taken, we know not, they being not yet arrived, but hourly expected.

On Saturday in the Evening the Faulcon arrived in Dover Road from Jamaica, and brings Advice, That upon the Repreſentation of the Merchants of that Iſland to the Governor, of the great Damage they ſuſtained by the Imbargo which had been laid on their Navigation, his Excellency was pleaſed to ſuſpend the ſame for 10 Days, viz. from the 2d to the 12th of June, both inclusive: In conſequence of which a Fleet of Ships from ſundry Parts, under Convoy of 2 Men of War, ſailed thence, ſome on the 9th and ſome on the 10th, for Great Britain.

We cannot as yet learn whether the Allies of Hanover have approved of the Draught of the Treaty for adjuſting Matters between them and the Crown of Spain, as it has been concerted between the Miniſters of the ſaid Allies and thoſe of Spain: But a little Time will inform us. Mean time People are much puzzled in their Thoughts to know why the Fleet at Spithead ſhould, under the preſent Juncture, when all things manifeſtly tend to a Peace, be ordered to take in 5 Months Proviſions: From whence ſome are apt to conclude, that Part of the Fleet will aſſiſt in tranſporting Don Carlos to Italy, according to what has been ſtipulated. The Letters from Portſmouth of the 11th Inſt. ſay it was reported there, that the Fleet at Spithead would ſoon ſeparate; That on the Day before the Date Rear Admiral Stewart hoiſted his broad Pendant on board the Lyon Man of War, inſtead of his Flag, he being not yet confirmed Admiral in all the Forms requiſite for that Dignity. He was to ſail as this Day, if the Wind proved favourable, for the W. Indies; but with how many Ships, they did not know.

Neither the Letters by the French Mail from Paris or from Madrid make any mention of the pacific Negociations, they being at a ſtand till the Couriers diſpatched to the Courts of the Allies of Hanover are returned with the Approbation of thoſe Powers to the Draught of the Treaty above mentioned; which is not to be doubted of.

P. S. We hear an Expreſs is come with the good News, that they have begun at Cadix, purſuant to his Catholick Majeſty's Order, to deliver out the Treaſure and Effects brought by the Galleons and Quickſilver Ships, to the great Satisfaction of the Proprietors.

On Friday Morning laſt died at Windſor the Rev. Dr. Ferguſſon. This Morning the Lord Torington ſet out for his Seat in Bedfordſhire: And Letters are diſpatched by the Admiralty to the ſeveral Ports of the Kingdom, to put a Stop to the impreſſing of Seamen out of the homeward bound Ships; which is a good Indication of an approaching Peace.

'Tis ſaid an Order of Council is gone to Wincheſter for putting the Acts of Edward VI. and Q. Eliſabeth in execution againſt the Regraters of Corn, and for obliging the Farmers to bring their Corn to Market, and ſell by Samples.

The Dukes of Grafton and Newcaſtle came to Town laſt Sunday. Upon the whole, we have a ſure Confidence of an approaching Peace with Spain.

S. S. Stock 103 1 4th. Ditto Annuities 106.

From the Daily Poſt Boy, Aug 12.

Hague, Aug. 16. Our Merchants expect with the utmoſt Impatience the Diſtribution of the Effects of the Galleons; for after all the Premiſes that have been given them that they ſhall be delivered without farther Delay, the Engliſh, Dutch and French Merchants diſcover no great Forwardneſs to truſt their Goods aboard the Spaniſh Bottoms, till they are ſure of an Accommodation between that Crown and the Allies of Hanover.

'Tis now affirmed, that the Imperial Court will ſacrifice the Oſtend Trade to the Good of Peace, tho' they have not yet declared themſelves to that Purpoſe, reſerving it to the Courſe of the Negociations at Soiſſons: But this Report ſeems the more improbable, becauſe the ſaid Company are ſaid to carry on a clandeſtine Trade to India at this very Inſtant, of which, the keeping up of the Price of their Stock is none of the ſlendereſt Proofs: For, what would their Shares be worth, if the Trade were entirely knock'd off?

We do not hear one Word of the Return of our Squadron from the Coaſt of England; which we take to be an unlucky Omen that all is not as yet right with the Court of Spain. It is apparent on the other Hand, that th' Imperial Court will never con-

conſent to the Tranſportation of Spaniſh or other Foreign Troops to Tuſcany: Nay, our laſt Letters from Vienna aſſure, that it is a Point the Emperor will never, without the greateſt Difficulty, be brought to conſent to; and it is as certain, that the Great Duke of Tuſcany will oppoſe to his utmoſt, any Power's taking Poſſeſſion of his Territories before his Death. Thus it is certain, that the eventual Succeſſion to the Dutchies of Tuſcany, Parma and Placenza, will make ſtrong Work in the Congreſs, and, in ſtead of ſerving to ſoothe the ambitious Humour of the Spaniards, may prove the Occaſion of freſh Broils; eſpecially, if th'Allies of Hanover ſhould engage to make uſe of Force.

The King of G Britain is making a Tour for a Fourtnight to Stade in Bremen, and thence to Luenburg, after which he will return to Herenhauſen. But when his Majeſty will quit his Electorate, and return to England, is yet uncertain; as well as the Route he will take, which we are apprehenſive will not be thro' any Part of his Pruſſian Majeſty's Dominions, as uſually, at leaſt, if the preſent Miſunderſtanding between theſe two Crowns continues: And we wiſh it may not grow ſtill wider, ſince they have begun to uſe Repriſals in the Territories of his Pruſſian Majeſty, by ſeizing the Hanoverian Soldiers, and even ſuch Civil Officers as fall into their Hands.

From the St. James's Evening-Poſt, Aug. 12.

London, Aug. 12. By Letters from on board the *Princeſs Louiſa* Man of War at Gibraltar, we hear that a Squadron of Men of War are ordered to ſail for Sicily.

A Tender belonging to th' Engliſh Squadron and another of the Dutch, at Spithead, are daily employed in impreſſing Seamen out of the Homeward-bound Merchant ſhips, to manne Reer-Admiral Stuart's Squadron.

From the Evening Poſt, Aug. 12.

Vienna, Aug. 3. His Britannick Majeſty's not having notified to the Emperor his Arrival at Hanover, is the Subject of much Diſcourſe here.

London, Aug. 12. 'Tis believed from divers Circumſtances, that the *Ferret*, Capt. Calligan, from Briſtol and Guinea, for Jamaica, was the Veſſel which we mentioned on Saturday laſt to be taken and carried into St. Martha by a Spaniſh Privateer.

Vienna, Aug. 3. We are aſſured that the Imperial Regiments in the Auſtrian Netherlands will, like thoſe in the Hereditary Countries, be completed and augmented againſt next Spring.

A young Poliſh Nobleman and his Governor, who is a Perſon of great Learning, and of the ſame Nation, having at Gratz in Stiria unhapily conceived ſuch odd Notions of the ever BLESSED TRINITY, that they apoſtatized from the Chriſtian Religion, and embraced the Jewiſh, ſo far, that the Governor was reſolved to be circumciſed; which taking Air, they were both ſeized, and the young Nobleman, being again ſet right by the Jeſuites, was ſent back to Poland: But his Governor, obſtinately perſiſting in his Errors, was tried and convicted of Blaſphemy, and ſentenced to be tied up in a Bag, and carried to the Place of Execution and burnt alive. But this Sentence was, by the Advice of the Cardinal-Archbiſhop, General Inquiſitor, altered thus by the Court, viz. That the Criminal ſhall be carried openly, and not in a Bag, to the Place of Execution, where two Slices of his Fleſh are to be cut off from his Body, then his Tongue to be cut out of his Head; and if this will not bring him to a Senſe of his Crime, and Tokens of Converſion, then he is to have two more Slices cut from his Body, and then to be thrown into the Fire and burnt.

From the London Evening-Poſt, Aug. 12.

Moſcow, July 23. Orders have been ſent to the Governors of the maritime Towns of this Empire, not to permit any Perſon to go from thence without a Paſſport.

Genoa, July 22. On Monday laſt 2 Veſſels arrived here from Portmahon and Marſeilles; the Maſter of the firſt of them reports, that they were in Expectation there of th' Arrival from Lisbon of the Engliſh Man of War commanded by Capt. Byng, who is to come hither afterwards with a very rich Cargo.

Hamburg, Aug. 12. They write from Dantzick, that it was more warmly talk'd than ever, that the Imperial Commiſſion eſtabliſhed in the Dutchy of Mecklemburg was about to be diſſolved, and that Prince forthwith reſtored to the Poſſeſſion of his Dukedom; and that it was upon the Czar's and the K. of Pruſſia's Solicitations that he was obliged for his Reſtoration.

Edinburgh, Aug. 18. On Friday laſt the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Islay arrived here from London.

The Infirmary or Hoſpital for Sick Poor in this City was lately opened, and Patients of both Sexes recei-

received into it; where they are daily waited on by Physicians and Surgeons, and every way well accommodated. This is the first Hospital of this kind that ever was in Scotland; and as it must be of great Use to the whole Nation, so it cannot be doubted but all charitable People and Lovers of their Country will contribute towards th' Enlargement thereof.

We are assured that the Person who killed the poor Man on the Street, as mentioned in our last, has fled. Most People think there was something more than mere Accident in it.

The best Meal at Leith is now sold at about 8 d. the Peck.

Leith, Aug. 15. Yesterday the *Janet* of Portsoy, George Hay, came into the Harbour, with Meal. This Day sailed a small Bark, John Balk Master, for Cromerty; also the *Margaret and Katharine* of Yeel, James Spence, for Orkney. As did the *Inverness Packet*, James Chalmers, for that Harbour.

This Day (being the 5th of the Moon) it is High Water at Leith at 5 o' Clock, 30 Min. Tomorrow, at 6, 18 Min. Wednesday, at 7, 6 Min.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶ That the Trustees for the Creditors of JOHN GRAHAM Merchant in Perth, having disposed of his haill Effects, (except some Trifles) and having made Money of them; and his Book-Debts being made effectual, at least, Decreets obtain'd against Debitors for what is not paid: Do hereby advertise the Creditors of the said JOHN GRAHAM, That they will make a Dividend on the First of September next; and they who cannot attend, are desired to send the Instructions of their Debt to their Doers at Perth, that they may get their proportional Part of the Dividend: And that those who neither come nor send, are to have no Share thereof. The Dividend is to be made in the House of *David Millar* Writer in Perth.

¶ That there are to be sold at DEAN, near Edinburgh, a very good plain *Chariot*, having 4 Glasses, and Harness for two Horses. Item, a *Milch Ass* and *She-colt* at reasonable Rates. Any who have a mind to buy them, may enquire for *Robert Henderson* Grieve at Dean.

In the Press, and will speedily be Published,

The System of the WOMB, with a particular Account of the Menses, independent of a Plethora: To which are subjoined a few Observations relating to Cold, and its Effects upon the Body. By Thomas Simson Chandos Professor of Medicine and Anatomy in the University of St. Andrew's.

*** That there was lost upon Wednesday the Sixth Instant, betwixt Linton Bridge in East Lothian and Balkirk, a green Silk Purse with Strings, in which was Ten Guineas, a Carolus, Jacobus, and one Half-Moydore. Any who can give Notice of said Purse and Gold to John Yetts Merchant in Edinburgh, shall have Two Guineas Reward.

*** That there are several ROOMS of LAND, with convenient *Steedings* built thereon, of greater and smaller Extent, either to be *feued*, or *set in long Tacks*, in the Barony of Kerse, lying about a Mile from, and within the Parish of Falkirk, and Sheriffdom of Stirling. The Progress, and Conditions of the Feus, are to be seen in the Hands of Alexander Stevenson of Montgreenan, Writer to the Signet, at Edinburgh; or John Hay of Candie, at his House near Borrostounness; or at the House of Kerse.

† Betwixt the 20th and 30th of July last, there was found betwixt the Queensferry and Edinburgh, a LETTER CASE, with some Bills and Bank notes of Value. Whoever wants the same, may enquire at *Thomas Tod* Clerk of Musselburgh, who will direct the Proprietor where he may recover the same; on his paying Incidents, with a discreet Premium to the Finder, and on giving the right Tokens of his Property.

By Order of the Trustees for the Creditors of the Earl of NORTHESK:

All the Creditors who have signed the *Submission*, and have not yet produc'd their Claims and Grounds of Debt in the Hands of the Clerk to the *Submission*, are ordered to do the same betwixt and the *Fifteenth Day of September next*. And now that all the Estates disponed to the Trustees are sold; and in order to the Creditors their being Ranked upon the Prices and Produce thereof, the whole Creditors, heritable and moveable, are hereby desir'd to *Depone* upon the Verity of their Debts betwixt and the *First Day of October next* before the Arbiters, at Edinburgh, at the Writing-chamber of William Forbes Writer to the Signet, in the Parliament Close. And if any of the Creditors who live at a Distance, and cannot conveniently come to Edinburgh to depone, shall, by a Missive-letter or otherwise, acquaint the Clerk of their Place of Residence, proper Commissions shall be made out and sent them, for their deponing before Commissioners in the Country: *With Certification* to those who shall fail to produce their Grounds of Debt, and depone as above, That the Trustees will proceed to Rank the other Creditors, as if those who shall so fail, were not Creditors. And as to those Creditors who have not thought fit to sign the Submission; they are hereby desired, betwixt and the *First of October next*, to acquaint the Clerk, by a Missive-letter or otherwise, of the Extent of their Debts, Principal and Annualrents, and how vouched; and if they please, they may be then informed of the Situation of the Creditors Affairs, and Management of the Trust: Which 'tis hop'd will give Satisfaction to all concerned.

¶ That the good Ship, *The Diligence of Leith*, a Sloop rigg'd, Burden about 40 Tons, British built, Capt. William Wood Commander, is to be exposed to Sale by voluntary Roup, on the Tenth of September next, in Leith, in the House of George Allan, betwixt the Hours of 2 and 4 after Noon. The Inventary may be seen in the Laigh Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, in Brody's Coffeehouse, Leith, and in the House of George Allan, at the Sign of the Ship, on the Shore of Leith, in the Hands of said Capt. Wood.

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